



Town of Mansfield
Proclamation in Recognition of Secretary of State Denise Merrill

Whereas, on November 2, 2010, Denise Merrill was elected as Connecticut's 73rd Secretary of the State; and

Whereas, Prior to her election as Secretary of the State, Denise Merrill served as State Representative from the 54th General Assembly district for 17 years, representing the citizens of Mansfield and Chaplin; and

Whereas, Secretary Merrill has been a longtime resident of Mansfield, raising her three children here, and graduating from the University of Connecticut; and

Whereas, Secretary Merrill has served as an effective advocate and spokesperson for the residents of Mansfield, looking out for our unique needs and interests and working for fair and equitable treatment at the state level; and

Whereas, During her tenure in the Legislature, Secretary Merrill is most widely known for spearheading the successful effort to fund infrastructure improvements at the University of Connecticut, known as "UConn 2000." These improvements have been widely credited with helping advance the University to national prominence as a premier academic and research institution:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Elizabeth C. Paterson, Mayor of Mansfield, on behalf of the Town Council and the citizens of Mansfield, do hereby express our appreciation and gratitude to Secretary of State Denise Merrill for her outstanding service to the community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of Mansfield to be affixed on this 24th day of January in the year 2011.

Elizabeth C. Paterson
Mayor, Town of Mansfield